

STATE OF MICHIGAN

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

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July 14, 2008

TO:

Rebecca A. Humphries, Director

INFORMATION:

Natural Resources Commission

Transaction:

Purchase of Tax-Reverted Land under Act 123, P.A. 1999

State Forest Land Acquisition

Atlanta Management Unit - Montmorency County

Land Transaction Case #20080127

Purchase:

One Vacant Lot -0.50-acre more or less - To be purchased from

Montmorency County for \$2,000.00 as provided by statute.

2007 SEV - \$1,000.00.

Description:

Montmorency County, Montmorency Township, T32N, R03E, Section 20: Beginning 24 rods South of the NW corner of SW ¼ of NE ¼ as POB, thence South 5 rods more or less, thence East to County Road 628, thence

North along road 5 rods more or less, thence West to POB.

Authority:

Act 123, P.A. 1999, amended Act 206, P.A. 1893, and Section 211.131 of the

General Property Tax Act

Notice:

This item will appear on the Department of Natural Resources' (Department) August 4, 2008 Calendar, and is eligible for approval on August 11, 2008.

Comments:

The Department is proposing to acquire the subject parcel under authority of Act 123, P.A. of 1999. Prior to 1999, the Department had the authority to retain tax-reverted parcels at no cost for natural resources and recreational purposes. Act 123, P.A. of 1999, now grants the Department a first right of refusal to acquire tax-reverted properties by paying fair market value or minimum bid, whichever is greater. This first right of refusal applies to all lands that have been foreclosed upon either by the county or the State under Act 123.

The lot is located in a largely undeveloped subdivision encompassing 40.0 acres of forest in northern Montmorency County. The vacant lot exhibits a generally level topography with a mixed forest cover. Access is available via

road frontage on County Road 628. State-owned land adjoins the parcel at its west boundary. The Department owns a significant block of land to the west of the subject parcel. The parcel is inside the boundary of the Atlanta Management Unit.

Acquisition of this private in-holding will improve access to existing Stateowned land, secure additional wildlife habitat, and increase public recreation and forest management opportunities in Montmorency County.

Recommendation:

That the parcel be approved for purchase with payment to be made from the Land Exchange Facilitation Fund.

David E. Freed, Chief Land and Facilities Lynne M. Boyd, Chief Forest, Mineral and Fire Management

Douglas A. Reeves, Acting Chief Wildlife

Arminda S. Koch Resource Management Deputy

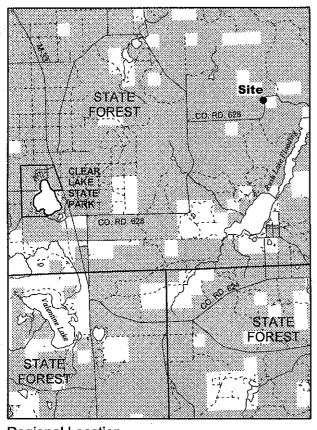
I approve the staff recommendation.

Rebecca A. Humphries Director

Date Approved

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CO. RD. 628

1/4 LINE

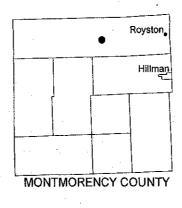
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Regional Location

Section 20, T32N, R03E Montmorency Township

- --- State Forest Boundary
- Tax-Reverted Land Offered to DNR (0.50 acre \$2,000.00)
- State Land
- Private Land







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